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New York, N. Y., January 16th 1905.

To the

Secretary of the

American Numismatic & Arch. Soc'y.

Dear Sir:-

I have much pleasure in presenting the name of Frank C. Higgins, #41 Liberty Street, New York, also of London, England, for resident membership. I have known Mr. Higgins for upwards of 20 years. His contributions to European numismatic publications, during the past few years, have attracted much attention. His latest are to be found in Messrs. Spink's monthly circular.

Very truly yours,

Lyman H. Low.

P. S. The gentleman is a member of the Royal Numismatic Society and the British Numismatic Soc'y., both of London.

Nominations
Frank C. Higgins

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New York, April 20th, 1905.

Baumann L. Belden Esq.

Recording Secretary,

American Numismatic and Archaeological Society,

Dear Sir:

In response to your favour of the 21st ult., I have pleasure in accepting the kind welcome of your Society, many members of which have been my friends for a great number of years. My absence in the west has prevented my replying earlier to your letter. Enclosed please find a cheque, complying with the nescessary formalities.

I remain, Very sincerely yours,

Frank C. Higgins

April 20 1905
Frank B Higgins

New York, April 20th,

Benjamin H. Bolden Esq.

Recording Secretary,

American Numismatic and Archaeological Society,

Dear Sir:

In response to your favour of the 17th inst.
I have pleasure in accepting the kind nomination for
Society, many members of which have been my friends for
a great number of years. My absence in the west has prevented my re-
plying earlier to your letter. Hoping I may be elected, I am
Yours very obediently,

Frank B. Higgins.

5 WEST 104TH STREET,
TELEPHONE, RIVERSIDE - 4488.

New York March 8th 1909

Dear Mr Belden:

I am enclosing you a personal card to next Friday evenings Club meeting and I hope you will find it possible to be there as we are going to have a very fine gathering from all I hear. I would be glad to have some one who has the Society's work at their finger ends say a few words about its work and aims and I also desire to have some of the Society's literature, pamphlets or whatever you have to put before non-members so we can give them to those interested. Could you bring or send me something of this kind to care of Keen's Chophouse?

Furthermore - Did you know that Mr Zerbe is engaged in delivering very fine numismatic lectures all over the country illustrated by a very large collection of fine coins notes etc he carries with him

Mr Leslie though pretty valuable when he feels that he is wanted to talk is a trifle diffident about proposing to do so but he has more than once said to me that if the American Numismatic Society ever wanted a lecture from him he would gladly deliver the goods.

Now this is just a hint to you and as he will be with us on Friday evening you might do worse than approach him on the subject.

His lecture would make a very swell guest evening for the Society as he is a fine entertainer.

I only wish we could have Mr Huntington on hand too. His imitation is a standing one.

Sincerely yours

Frank D Higgins

October 16, 1909.

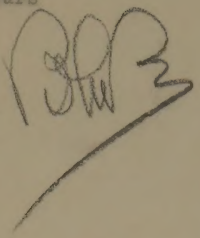
Mr. Frank C. Higgins,
The Edgemere,
5 West 104th Street,
New York.

Dear Mr. Higgins:

It is rather a question whether the enclosed letter is intended for the Numismatic Club or for this Society, however that may be, I can not supply any of the Society's medals, so it may be of more use to you.

I was sorry not to be at the last meeting of the Club, hope for better luck next time.

Cordially yours



February 14, 1910.

Mr. Frank C. Higgins,
The Edgemere,
5 West 104 Street,
New York.

Dear Sir:-

I take pleasure in informing you that the Governors of this Society have appointed you a member of the Committee on Modern Foreign Coins, of which Mr. Charles Pryor, P. O. Box 647, New Rochelle, New York, is Chairman, and Hon. James W. Ellsworth, 18 East 53 Street, New York, is the third member.

Trusting that this will be agreeable to you, I am, believe me,

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

TELEPHONE- RIVERSIDE 4488

THE NEW YORK NUMISMATIC CLUB ORG. DEC. 1908

FRANK C. HIGGINS. F. R. N. S.
President
5 WEST 104TH STREET

NEW YORK February 16th, 1910.

Bauman L. Belden Esq.
Secretary American Numismatic Society,
City.

Dear Sir:-

I am sincerely sensible of the compliment implied by your valued favor of the 14th inst. and will be glad to render any service in my power to aid in the good work.

You will recollect the remark I made when I last saw you about the foreign corresponding secretaryship.

If the council have not already determined the matter to their satisfaction, perhaps my command of French, German, Spanish and Italian together with the fairly wide acquaintance I have with European Numismatists may be of use to them.

I remain, Sincerely yours,

Frank C. Higgins.

May 9, 1910.

Mr. Frank C. Higgins,
5 West 104th Street,
New York.

Dear Mr. Higgins:

I have sent word to have the halftone out of the Society's building sent to you, when you are through with it will you kindly return it to the DeVinne Press, 393 Lafayette Street.

Very sincerely yours,

Director.

[illegible] May 21, 1912.

Mr. Frank C. Higgins,
[illegible]
The Gramercy,
[illegible]
[illegible] East 101th Street,
New York.

Dear Mr. Higgins:

If my memory serves me correctly, you, and such members of your Committee as should find it convenient to do so, were to meet me here, about two o'clock this afternoon, for the purpose of calling on Dr. Martin, the Librarian of the Hispanic Society, and arranging with him for the visit of the A. H. A. to the Hispanic Society [illegible].

As you did not come up, I would suggest that it might be well for you to write to Dr. Martin, and inform him just what you intend putting on your programme regarding the visit to the Hispanic Society, so that he can see whether your plan is in accord with his instructions from Mr. Huntington and if it is not, that he will have time to write to Mr. Huntington regarding it.

Address:- Dr. A. R. Martin, Librarian, Hispanic Society of America, 156th Street, West of Broadway.

I would be glad to have any details of the programme that you can give me, at your convenience, so that I may be able to answer any inquiries that may be made at our next Council meeting, which will probably be held next week.

I expect to be away on the first of June for several weeks.

Yours truly,

August 25, 1910.

Mr. Frank C. Higgins,
5 West 104th Street,
New York.

Dear Mr. Higgins:

Will you kindly mail a programme of the convention to Miss Adams Baldwin, 1161 Broadway, [illegible] ? I [illegible] notice. This must be mailed tomorrow to insure her before she sails for New York.

I suppose you will be on the jump for the next ten days.

Cordially yours,

TELEPHONE- RIVERSIDE 4488

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FRANK C. HIGGINS. F. R. N. S.
President
5 WEST 104TH STREET

NEW YORK September 19th, 1910.

Dear Mr Belden:

Accompanying is the silver medal promised for the "Society" and I shall feel honored by its acceptance.

Very truly yours

Frank C. Higgins

[illegible], 1911.

Mr. Frank C. Higgins,
5 West 104th Street,
[illegible]

[illegible]:

I have received a package from the Post Office addressed to Gustav Jaeger, [illegible], [illegible], [illegible], [illegible],

[illegible],

Very sincerely yours,

TELEPHONE- RIVERSIDE 4488

THE NEW YORK NUMISMATIC CLUB
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FRANK C. HIGGINS. F. R. N. S.
President
5 WEST 104TH STREET

NEW YORK October 3rd, 1910.

Dear Mr Belden:

The address of Mr Gustav Jaegg is 245 Bowery, City.

I hope to take away my plaster casts some time this week, I have been out of town.

Faithfully yours,

F. C. Higgins

October 5, 1910

Dear Mr. Higgins:

I have your letter of October 3rd, and as usual enclose Mr. [illegible]'s address.

I find that we have two specimens of the Dwarf Cat, one with an over little tail, and a normal one, one of which I have, and the other without a case.

[illegible] Very sincerely yours,

Mr. Frank C. Higgins,
6 West 104th Street,
New York.

TELEPHONE- RIVERSIDE 4488

THE NEW YORK NUMISMATIC CLUB ORG-DEC 1908

FRANK C. HIGGINS, F. R. N. S.
President
5 W. 104TH STREET

NEW YORK December 4th, 1910.

Dear Mr Belden:

Will you be so good as to wrap up that lead "Temple Bar" Medal you have from me and let the next person from the Society Building going down town leave it addressed to me in Tom Elder's care.

I will appreciate this very much. I have been wanting to come out and get it myself but the Society might just as well be located at the North Pole so far as a busy man is concerned.

Trusting you are well and happy,

Faithfully yours,

Frank C. Higgins

TELEPHONE- RIVERSIDE 4486

THE NEW YORK NUMISMATIC CLUB
ORG DEC 1908

FRANK C. HIGGINS, F. R. N. S.
President
5 W. 104TH STREET

NEW YORK January 9th, 1911.

Charles Pryer Esq.,
Treasurer, American Numismatic Society,
New York City.

Dear Sir:

Herewith, Please find enclosed the amount of my dues to the Society to date of January 11th, 1911.

Believe me, Very truly yours,

Frank C. Higgins.

Copy

New York, January 21st, 1911.

To The American Numismatic Society,

Gentlemen:

As a member of your Society, I desire to bring to your attention and elicit your judgement of a discovery which I have made through the medium of Numismatic research and which, after the most conclusive tests, so far as I, in my limited abilities, have been able to make them, recommend itself as of the highest importance and worthy of expert investigation.

My petition is that you appoint a Committee to examine the material which I have so far prepared and such corroborative evidence as I am able to offer and if I seem to be justified in my conclusions that the result be laid as quickly as possible before the learned bodies most likely to appreciate them.

THESIS.

I am of the opinion that, following upon the investigations which I have been engaged in for a long time, of the correspondence between the earliest Numismatic symbols of the far East and similar figures of European origin that I have accidentally stumbled upon what might be termed the "Basic Cryptograph" or primitive religious symbol of the human race, out of which by process of development and evolution, without loosing sight of the original element, have grown all those phases of human developement which we term Religion, Art, Science and Letters.

I am able to show by new and immediately apparent demonstrations [illegible], coins and monuments and the antiquities of the Greeks, Assyrians, Babylonians, Chaldeans, Egyptians, Mongol peoples and Hindoos [illegible] races of the world found in America and Oceanica, that universal culture reverts to a primitive series of considerati[illegible]

ance with the Biblical narrative and extensively corroborative of it.

I attach great importance to the evidence presented that although humanity has lost many of the details which I have re-discovered, during the lapse of ages, that the evidence is strongly in favor of a powerful monotheistic cult having preced all idolatries and mythologies and that the same is that handed down to present times through the intermediary of the Patriarch Abraham.

Concerning the latter, the inference is that he was a member of the so called "Star-worshipping" race or people of Asia minor and that star-worship was not originally the idolatrous practice supposed but a worship of the one, true and omnipotent God in his works as typified by the stellar symbol known variously as "The shield of David", the "Star of Solomon" etc and which is still one of the central symbols of Semitic religion.

I hope to be able to point out strong indications thatthis star embodies the Messianic prophecy, together with the dates of the successive appearences of the astronomical phenomena pronounced by Kepler to be the "Star of Bethlehem", said dates having always fallen upon crucial periods of the worlds history, and also corroborates the statements of certain Jesuit missionaries to the interior of China, that they found evidence of a pre-Buddhistic Messianic cult and intelligence that the Cross had been venerated as the symbol of future redemption, two thousand years previous to the Crucifixion.

It will interest your Numismatic sense to know that my discovery finally reveals the mystery of the "Swastika", so that a ten year old child might interpret it, and that the so-called Labyrinth of Crete as represented on the earliest coins with the Minotaur figure, is a symbolic representation of the Crucifixion of a god.

Finally, for the purposes of this memorial, I would say that I am not convinced that the central figure of my discovery will not prove to be the long lost "Breastplate of Judgement" worn by the Aaronic High-Priest together with the long lost "Urim and Thummim" pertaining thereto.

My discovery embodies the apparent origin of all the hieratic symbolism of the ancients, the origin of alphabets, eastern and western, of heraldry, of measurements of time and locality, astronomical reckonings, the Zodiac, the origin of many famous superstitions, "lucky" and "unlucky" factors, the relative dimensions of classic architecture and the evolution of classic designs and patterns of a decorative order which will last as long as humanity shall still endure and are ancient already in many lands.

I may add that my discovery tells more of the true meaning and origin of the symbolism of the Masonic order than Freemasonary has ever dreamed of.

Finally, lest any lingering impression be made upon you by the remarkable extent of my claim, I will say that the evidence which I propose to adduce is not personal argument from internal convictions but of a totally external, visible, demonstratle and mathematically calcuable series of consideration.

My discovery was made as a number of important Chemical discoveries have occurred, by accidentally uniting two distinct elements and finding that they resulted in a completely unexpected "third dimension", which led in quick succession to other astounding results.

My Numismatic training and an extensive archaeological library, happily enabled me to at once verify its importance by reference to a world-wide series of applications.

The "Basic Cryptograph" is very simple, worthy of the pure and holy truths it has taught the world and is composed of the mathematical development of a most simple terrestrial object in the presence of astronomical phenomina of indisputable accuracy.

[illegible], Carolina, to repair,

Very respectfully yours,

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January 30, 1911.

Mr. Frank C. Higgins,

3 West 104th Street,

New York.

Dear Mr. Higgins:

Your communication of January 11 was duly received and the enclosed [illegible] tion referred to Mr. Huntington.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

TELEPHONE—RIVERSIDE 4488

FRANK C. HIGGINS
5 W. 104TH STREET

NEW YORK, January25th, 1913.

Bauman L.Belden Esq.,
Secretary American Numismatic Society,
156th Street,West of Broadway,New York.

Dear Sir:

Kindly cause my name to be removed from the list of members of the American Numismatic Society.I can discover no reason for continuing same another year.

Very respectfully yours,

Frank C. Higgins.

January 28th, 1913.

Mr. Frank C. Higgins,
5 West 104th Street,
New York.

Dear Mr. Higgins:-

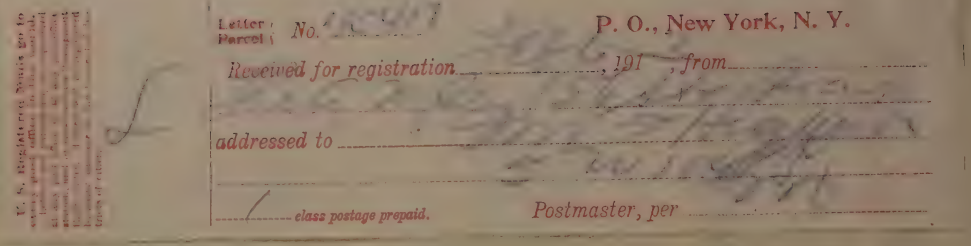
I have your letter of January 25th resigning your membership in this Society, which I will present to the Council, on Saturday, at which time a meeting is to be held.

In the meantime I would call to your attention the enclosed bill for your dues for the year 1912, which I trust you will settle before your resignation is acted upon by the Council.

With kind regards, and regretting that we are to loose you from our roll, I am,

Very truly yours,

Secretary.



February 4th, 1918.

Mr. Frank C. [illegible],
5 West 10[illegible] Street,
New York.

Dear Mr. [illegible]:-

I presented to the Council your letter of [illegible], resigning your membership in this Society, and I am directed to inform you that your dues for the year 1918, amounting to $15.00, are still unpaid, and that [illegible]. Unless before the Council will accept your resignation, or should you prefer your name could be placed on the roll of Associate Members and no annual dues [illegible].

The provisions of the By-Laws regarding members in arrears are noted on the back of the bill for dues, which I enclose herewith.

Trusting that I will hear from you between now and the next meeting of the Council, which will take place on the 15th inst., and with kind regards, I am,

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

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FRANK C. HIGGINS
5 W. 104TH STREET

NEW YORK, February 11th, 1913.

Bauman L.Belden Esq.,
Secretary American Numismatic Society,
New York City.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find exchange for the sum of Fifteen Dollars,being my final payment of dues in order to give immediate effect to my resignation already tendered.

I thank you for tender of"Associate"membership,but being a mere student,teacher and writer upon Coins and Medals,I feel that I should only be out of place again from a different angle.

I certainly endorse every word of Mr Browne's recent utterances and wish that his spirit could have overtaken the Society long ago.

Very respectfully yours,

Frank C. Higgins

August 17th, 1921

Mr. F. C. Higgins
579 East 7th Street
Flatbush, Brooklyn, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

We are forwarding you, under separate cover, copy of the Numismatic Chronicle which has been sent to you addressed to this Society. May I suggest that you advise the Press of your present address.

Very truly yours,

Curator

June 6th, 1922.

Mr. Frank C. Higgins,
679 East 7th Street,
Flatbush, Brooklyn.

Dear Sir:-

We have received an enquiry regarding your work, "The Cross of the Magi". I therefore wish to know if we could get a copy from you and at what price.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.